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SUBJECT: LOYALIST PARAMILITARY CONFERENCE ENDS IN SECRECY

1. THREE-DAY LOYALIST PARAMILITARY CONFERENCE CLOSED JUNE 19 WITH DECISIONS REPORTEDLY TAKEN BUT NOT REVEALED. SPOKESMAN SAID CONFERENCE PROPOSALS COULD NOT BE DETAILED PENDING REACTIONS FROM RANK-AND-FILE OF PARTICIPATING ORGANIZATIONS.

2. UUC POLITICAL LEADERS WEST, PAISLEY AND CRAIG WERE INVITED TO FINAL MEETING OF CONFERENCE TO REVIEW ITS DECISIONS. WEST LATER CHARACTERIZED THEM AS A "PROGRAM" AND OBSERVED THAT LOYALIST PARAMILITARY ORGANIZATIONS HAD DETERMINED NOT TO FORM A POLITICAL PARTY, BUT WOULD REMAIN "PRESSURE GROUPS" WITHIN VARIOUS POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS.

3. SINCE UUC CHIEFTAINS NOW SCHEDULED TO SEE N.I. SECRETARY OF STATE REES NEXT WEEK IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THEY CONTINUE IN THE UWC-STRIKE-PERIOD ROLE OF "INTERMEDIARIES" BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT APPARATUS AND THE LOCUS OF POLITICAL POWER HERE.

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